

# Strange were the life

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(1575-1630)

Soprano I

Soprano II

Alto

Tenor

Bass

8

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*p* Strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the life,

*p* Strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the life, \_\_\_\_\_ strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the

*p* Strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the life, \_\_\_\_\_ strange

*p* Strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the life, strange were the life,

*p* Strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the

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S

strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the life, strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the life, that

life, strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the life, that ev' - ry

A

were the life, strange were the life, \_\_\_\_\_ that

T

8

strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the life, strange were the life that

B

life, strange, strange \_\_\_\_\_ were the life, that

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S

ev' - ry man would like, *f* More strange the state, more strange the

man \_\_\_\_\_ would like, *f* More strange the state, more

A

ev'-ry man \_\_\_\_\_ would like, *f* More strange the

T

8

ev'-ry man \_\_\_\_\_ would like, *f* More strange the state,

B

ev' - ry man would like, *f* More strange the state,

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S state, more strange the state \_\_\_\_\_ that should \_\_\_\_\_ dis -

A strange the state, more strange the state

T state, more strange the state \_\_\_\_\_ that should dis- like

B 8 more strange the state that should dis - like each one,

more \_\_\_\_\_ strange the state

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S like each one, \_\_\_\_\_ dis - like each one; *p* Rare \_\_\_\_\_ were the gem,

A that should \_\_\_\_\_ dis - like each \_\_\_\_\_ one; *p* Rare \_\_\_\_\_ were the gem,

T each \_\_\_\_\_ one, that should dis-like \_\_\_\_\_ each one; *p* Rare were the gem, rare

B 8 that should dis - like each one, each one; *p* Rare

that should dis - like each one; *p* Rare

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S rare \_\_\_\_\_ were the gem, that ev' - ry one would

A rare were the gem that e - ve - ry one would seek, that

T were the gem, rare were the gem that ev' - ry one would seek,

B 8 were the gem, rare \_\_\_\_\_ were the gem that ev' - ry one would seek,

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S seek that ev' - ry one \_\_\_\_\_ would seek, *mf* And lit-tle, lit-tle worth,

A e - ve - ry one would seek, \_\_\_\_\_ would seek, *mf* And lit-tle, lit-tle worth, and

T that ev' - ry one \_\_\_\_\_ would seek, *mf* And lit-tle, lit - tle

B 8 one would seek, that ev' - ry one would seek, *mf* And lit-tle, lit-tle worth, and

would \_\_\_\_\_ seek, *mf* And lit-tle, lit-tle worth,

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S and lit-tle, lit-tle worth, *f* and lit-tle, lit-tle worth, and lit - tle,

A lit-tle, lit-tle worth, *f* and lit-tle, lit-tle worth, and lit - tle,

T worth, and lit-tle, lit-tle worth, and lit-tle, lit-tle worth,

B 8 lit-tle, lit-tle worth, and lit-tle, lit - tle worth, *f* and lit - tle, lit - tle

and lit-tle, lit-tle worth, *f* and lit-tle, lit - tle worth that

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S lit - tle worth that all would let a - lone. *p* Sweet were the

A lit - tle worth \_\_\_\_\_ that all would let a - lone. *p* Sweet were the meat, sweet

T that all would let a - lone, that all would let a - lone. *p* Sweet were the meat, sweet

B 8 worth that all would let a-lone, that all would let a - lone. *p* Sweet were the meat, sweet

all would let \_\_\_\_\_ a - lone. *p* Sweet

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S meat, sweet were the meat, sweet were the meat that ev'-ry one would choose, *f* And  
 A were the meat, sweet were the meat that ev'-ry one would choose,  
 T were the meat, sweet were the meat that ev'-ry one would choose,  
 B were the meat, sweet were the meat that ev'-ry one would choose,

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S sour the sauce, and sour the sauce, and sour the sauce,  
 A *f* And sour the sauce, and sour the sauce, and  
 T *f* And sour the sauce, and sour the sauce, and sour the sauce,  
 B *f* And sour the sauce, and sour the sauce, and sour the

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S and sour the sauce that all men would re - fuse.  
 A sour, and sour the sauce that all men would re - fuse.  
 T and sour the sauce that all men would re - fuse.  
 B sauce, and sour the sauce that all me would re - fuse, re - fuse.